

(For all students in the Program)

## Undergraduate Minor Program in Social Science

Except for those studying in the BSc program in Global China Studies: Humanities and Social Science and the BSc program in Quantitative Social Analysis, any undergraduate student with a CGA of 1.5 or above may enroll in the Social Science Minor Program. They must declare their intention to enroll in the minor program no earlier than the second regular term of their second year of study, but no later than the last day of the add/drop period in the first regular term of their final year of study. Students who wish to withdraw from the minor program should apply before the last day of the add/drop period in the second regular term of their final year of study.

The Social Science courses are grouped into three areas, namely (1) Economic and Political Development, (2) Social Relations, and (3) Sustainability and Society. Students may specialize in a single area or take courses across different areas according to their interest.

### Minor Requirements

To graduate with a minor in Social Science, the students must have enrolled in the minor program and complete a minimum total of 18 credits and all of its requirements, as well as all the requirements of their major program of study; and have attained an average grade point of at least 1.5 in courses taken in the minor program.

A maximum total of 6 credits completed successfully outside HKUST can be transferred to the Minor Program. Courses accepted for credit transfer must normally be at a level equivalent to 1000-level or above at HKUST.

Out of the total credits required by the minor program, at least 9 credits should be single-counted within the minor and are not used to fulfill any other requirements for graduation except the 120-credit degree requirement.

Courses used to fulfill the requirements of other minor programs offered by the School of Humanities and Social Science cannot be used to count toward the Social Science Minor Program.

Students may use no more than 6 credits earned from courses offered in pure online delivery mode to satisfy the graduation requirements of a degree program. This 6-credit limit does not apply to credits obtained through the credit transfer procedures of the University.

### Elective(s)

**Minimum  
credit(s)  
required**

SOSC		Social Science Elective (Courses from the specified elective list, of which at least 9 credits must be at the 2000-/3000-/4000- level.)	18
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#### Economic and Political Development

SOSC	1270	International Law	3
SOSC	1300	The World of Politics	3
SOSC	1340	China-United States Relations	3
SOSC	1350	Contemporary China: Continuity and Change	3
SOSC	1420	Poverty	3
SOSC	1440	Introduction to Economics	3
SOSC	1450	Introduction to Comparative Politics	3
SOSC	1460**	Japan: Change and Continuity	3
SOSC	1470	The Political and Economic Development of Modern Japan	3
SOSC	1510	Politics Through Film	3

SOSC	1661	Contemporary Hong Kong: Government & Politics	3
SOSC	1700	What Is Democracy?	3
SOSC	1780	Population and Development in China	3
SOSC	1840	Government, Law and Society in China	3
SOSC	2000C	Comparative Public Policy	3
SOSC	2000D	Environmental Politics	3
SOSC	2000F	Political Sociology: Concepts, Theories and Applications	3
SOSC	2120	The Party-state System in China: Origins and Developments	3
SOSC	2140	Research Methods in the Social Sciences	3
SOSC	2230**	The Chinese Economy	3
SOSC	2280	International Relations of East Asia	3
SOSC	2310	Introductory Environmental and Health Economics	3
SOSC	2320	Exploring Political Theory	3
SOSC	2330	Environmental Politics and Policy	3
SOSC	2630**	Development in Rural China	3
SOSC	2640	The Chinese Cultural Revolution: A Case Study in Politico-Social Movements	3
SOSC	3000A	Economic History of Europe and the West: A Global Perspective	3
SOSC	3000E	Food Policy for Developing Countries	3
SOSC	3120	Economic Development	3
SOSC	3180**	Political Issues in Hong Kong from a Comparative Perspective	3
SOSC	3280	Methods for Demographic Analysis	3
SOSC	3330**	Modern Dictatorship: West and East	3
SOSC	3410	East Asian Economic Development	3
SOSC	3520	Understanding Comparative Politics	3
SOSC	3530	Social Movements and Contentious Politics	3
SOSC	3600	Public Policy Analysis	3
SOSC	3630	Democracy and Democratization around the World	3
SOSC	4000A	China in Comparative Perspective	3
SOSC	4000B	The Supreme Court in American History	3
SOSC	4000E	Introduction to Society, Politics and Culture in Israel	3
SOSC	4000F	Jerusalem through the Ages: Historical Geography of the Holy City	3
SOSC	4000G	Hong Kong in the World	2
SOSC	4000H	Max Weber, China, and the West	3
SOSC	4000I	China's Belt and Road Initiative	3
SOSC	4260	China's Economic Transformation	3
SOSC	4280	China in the Global Political Economy	3
SOSC	4310	Chinese Capitalism: Historical and Comparative Perspectives	3
SOSC	4600	Understanding Chinese Politics	3
SOSC	4610**	Quantative Methods in the Social Sciences	3
<b>Social Relations</b>			
SOSC	1000A	Behavioral Games	3
SOSC	1190	China and the World: China's Development in Historical and Comparative Perspectives	3
SOSC	1200	Quantitative Social Analysis	3
SOSC	1500	Sport and Society	3
SOSC	1662	Contemporary Hong Kong: Society	3
SOSC	1810**	Sociology of the Family	3

SOSC	1850	Understanding Society	3
SOSC	1860	Population and Society	3
SOSC	1960	Discovering Mind and Behavior	3
SOSC	1980	Psychology and Everyday Life	3
SOSC	1990	Research Methods in Psychological Science	3
SOSC	2000E	Community/Social Service Project	3
SOSC	2130	Education and Society	3
SOSC	2210	Social Psychology	3
SOSC	2220**	Women in China	3
SOSC	2240	Biological Psychology	3
SOSC	2290	Understanding Globalization	3
SOSC	2400	Quantitative Data Analysis for Social Research II	3
SOSC	2740	Gender and Society	3
SOSC	2780	Modernization and Social Change	3
SOSC	2980	Personality Psychology	3
SOSC	2990	Developmental Psychology	3
SOSC	3000C	Social Theory and Modernity	3
SOSC	3001	Understanding China, 1700-2000: A Data Analytic Approach	3
SOSC	3130	Hong Kong Culture	3
SOSC	3170**	Ethnicity	3
SOSC	3250	Gender and Development	3
SOSC	3550	Educational Psychology	3
SOSC	3720	Introduction to Social Network Analysis	3
SOSC	3880	Social Inequality and Social Mobility	3
SOSC	3900	Abnormal Psychology	3
SOSC	3990	Health Psychology	3
SOSC	4000C	City and Modernity	4
SOSC	4270	Social Change in Contemporary China	3
SOSC	4330	Quantitative Data Analysis for Social Research III	3
<b>Sustainability and Society</b>			
SOSC	1100	Quantitative Data Analysis for Social Research I	3
SOSC	1110	Science, Technology and Society	3
SOSC	1130	Science, Technology and Business	3
SOSC	1150	Science, Technology and Work	3
SOSC	1170	Environmental and Energy Governance in China	3
SOSC	1400	Hong Kong and the Greater Bay Area	3
SOSC	2170	Environment, Sustainability and Business: A Design Approach	3
SOSC	2310	Introductory Environmental and Health Economics	3
SOSC	3110	Innovation and Technology in Hong Kong	3
SOSC	3150	Science, Technology and Environment	3
SOSC	3180**	Political Issues in Hong Kong from a Comparative Perspective	3
SOSC	3240	Application of Geographical Information Systems	3
SOSC	3260	Sustainability Science: Policy Problems and Perspectives	3
SOSC	3540	Environmental Psychology	3
SOSC	4290	China's Sustainable Development	3
SOSC	4300	Computational Social Science	3
SOSC	4320	Policy Analysis and Design for Sustainable Development	3

**\*\*Remarks on course(s):**

- SOSC 1460: The course was last offered in 2013-14 and was deleted subsequently.
- SOSC 1810: The course was last offered in 2013-14 and was deleted subsequently.
- SOSC 2220: The course was last offered in 2012-13 and was deleted subsequently.
- SOSC 2230: The course was last offered in 2012-13 and was deleted subsequently.
- SOSC 2630: The course was last offered in 2015-16 and was deleted subsequently.
- SOSC 3170: The course was last offered in 2012-13 and was deleted subsequently.
- SOSC 3180: This is a new course to take effect in Spring, 2021-22.
- SOSC 3330: The course was last offered in 2015-16 and was deleted subsequently.
- SOSC 4610: The course was last offered in 2014-15 and was deleted subsequently.